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Legislature, I doubt that this amendment will be adopted. Senator Dierks has made it clear that he doesn't think there should be any amendments adopted. I must ask him one more question. This is on a potential amendment and it's not mine, Senator Dierks. Will you support an amendment to strike the gluten tax?

SENATOR DIERKS: No, I will not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Even if leaving that in would cause some people to not support the bill?

SENATOR DIERKS: Would cause what?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If leaving that in...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...would cause some people to not support the bill?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR DIERKS: If I take it out there will be some people not support the bill.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President and members of the body, I don't mean to throw a hand grenade here, but I think I'm getting to the point where I'm going to have to decide on which ethanol bill to support, and even though there's some money in this ethanol bill, considering the X...75, I was going to XL 75, LB 75 is a mandate for...that makes some uncomfortable. I'm not certain of the future but if I was to make a decision I'm going to come down on the side of this bill because I believe we need to encourage ethanol. I'm still not...I'm still proud of the fact that we've encouraged and...and expanded ethanol production in this state over the last several years. I think it's been a success. It's not only that but it's encouraged other appropriate industries to come in, particularly along side the